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SCAQMD Issues Windblown Dust Advisory

SOUTH COAST AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT WINDBLOWN DUST & ASH ADVISORY

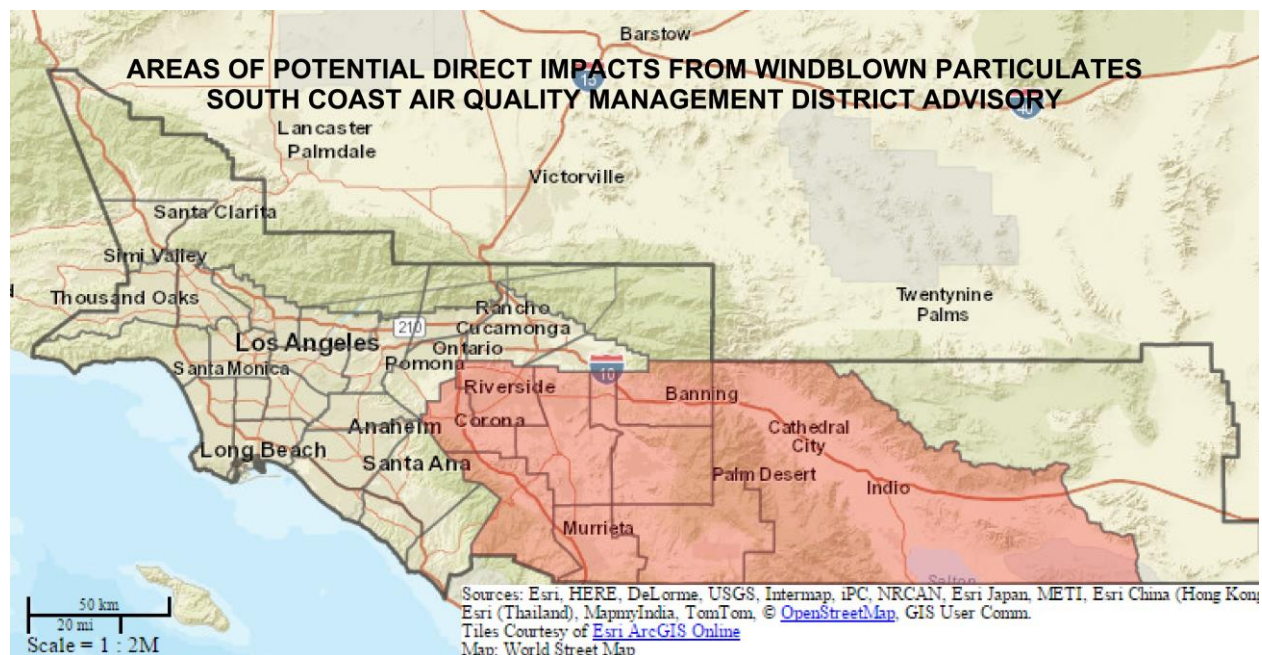
Issued Friday, December 28, 2018

This advisory is in effect for today through Saturday, December 29, 2018. SCAQMD will issue an update if additional information becomes available.

A PM10 Dust Advisory is in effect for Friday, December 28, 2018 through Saturday, December 29, 2018 for the western portions of Riverside County and the Coachella Valley. Strong offshore winds have led to blowing dust, causing Unhealthy air quality in Lake Elsinore (Area 25). Additional areas may experience elevated particulate levels as this wind event continues through the afternoon and into tomorrow. PM10 concentrations are expected to drop by Saturday afternoon. The National Weather Service has issued a wind advisory for portions of the affected areas that is in effect until 4:00pm on Saturday, December 29.

Areas of direct dust impacts and Unhealthful air quality may include portions of:

- Riverside County: Areas 22 (Corona/Norco), 23 (Metropolitan Riverside County), 24 (Perris Valley), 25 (Lake Elsinore Area), 26 (Temecula Valley), 27 (Anza Valley), 28 (Hemet-San Jacinto Valley), 29 (San Geronio Pass), and 30 (Coachella Valley).



In areas directly impacted by windblown dust: Everyone should avoid any vigorous outdoor or indoor exertion; people with respiratory or heart disease, the elderly, and children should remain indoors.

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For SCAQMD Daily Rule 403.1 High Wind Forecasts for the Coachella Valley:

- call (909) 396-2399 or 1-800-CUT-SMOG